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Mary L. Cobb Collection Biographical Sketch

Mary Louise Cobb was born in North Carver, MA in 1873. She graduated from Plymouth High School prior to enrolling at Bridgewater Normal School in September 1890. She graduated from BNS in June 1892 and taught briefly before having to quit her job due to health issues. Her health continued to deteriorate until her death in October 1893 at the age of 20.

Scope and Content Note

This collection contains 3 diaries kept by Mary Louise Cobb while a student at Bridgewater Normal School during the early 1890s. Transcriptions of the diaries are included, as well as research from Plymouth, MA newspapers documenting her death. Her diaries depict aspects of student life in the late nineteenth century.

Related collections include the [*Normal Offering*](#), a student newsletter from the time Mary Cobb was a student, and items in the University Archives such as a photograph and student pledge form of Cobb.

Box and Folder List

Box 1

Folder

1. Diary of Mary L. Cobb, 1890
2. Transcription of Mary L. Cobb's diary from 1890
3. Diary of Mary L. Cobb, 1891
4. Transcription of Mary L. Cobb's diary from 1891
5. Diary of Mary L. Cobb, 1892
6. Transcription of Mary L. Cobb's diary from 1892
7. List of church related events taken from Cobb's diaries, undated
8. Photocopies of photographs of Bridgewater Normal School faculty and class from 1890s; 3 originals moved to photograph collection, 1890-1895
9. Research on the life of Mary L. Cobb, including information on her death in 1893, undated
10. Research on the life of Mary L. Cobb, including copies of resources held by the Maxwell Library, undated